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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Stephen Chin
Application No.: 10/045,313
Filed: October 24, 2001
For: INTERNET-BASED
MONETARY PAYMENT
SYSTEM

Examiner:

Art Unit: 2164

**PETITION IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE
OF OMITTED ITEMS IN A
NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby files this petition in response to the Notice to Omitted Items in a Nonprovisional Application (copy attached) mailed March 1, 2002 in the above-referenced application. The Notice states that pages 7 and 8 of the specification appear to be missing from the application as filed. However, pages 7 and 8 of the specification were deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office with the rest of the specification that was filed on October 24, 2001. In support of this Petition, Applicant states as follows:

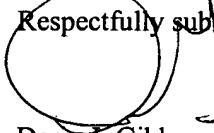
1. A copy of the transmittal page submitted with the instant application is attached showing that the application as filed included pages 7 and 8 of the specification. Also enclosed is a copy of the specification as filed which includes pages 7 and 8.
2. A copy of the date-stamped return postcard from the U.S. Patent Office for this application is also enclosed showing that the U.S. Patent Office received the application and accorded it a filing date of October 24, 2001.
3. Applicant authorizes the Patent Office to charge Deposit Account 20-1430 \$130.00 for the petition fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(h). However, it is Applicants

understanding that this petition fee will be refunded if it is determined that pages 7 and 8 of the specification were in fact received as set forth above.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that the U.S. Patent Office accept the application filed on October 24, 2001 by Applicants as being complete as filed, and in particular as including pages 7 and 8 of the specification.

Finally, as indicated in Box 18 of the Transmittal, the parent application was incorporated by reference. Hence, pages 7 and 8 were included with the present application by virtue of their incorporation by reference.

Please contact the undersigned at (303) 571-4000 if there are any questions concerning this matter.

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